

When and where do I take the oral and practical exams?

- After passing the 3 FAA computer-based knowledge exams, contact a Designated Mechanic Examiner (DME) in your area to schedule the oral and practical exams.
 - A DME list is available at <http://av-info.faa.gov/designeesearch.asp>.
- The FAA requires you to use a DME in the local area where you reside unless you provide justification to use a DME from a different area.
- Present the signed FAA Form 8610-2 and computer-based knowledge exam score sheets to the DME at the time of the oral and practical exams.

Will Tuition Assistance pay for the oral and practical exams?

- TA will not pay for the oral and practical exams. However, the new Montgomery GI Bill will reimburse certification exams. Visit www.gibill.va.gov to learn more about the MGIB.

Is there a time limit when the certification process must be completed?

- There is no time limit to complete the Air Force A&P Certification Program. However, per Title 14, CFR Part 65.71, the certification process must be completed within 24 months from the date the first FAA computer-based knowledge exam is administered.
 - If you fail to complete the certification process within 24 months from the date the first FAA computer-based knowledge exam is administered, you must re-take the expired computer-based knowledge exam(s).
- If you cannot complete certification within 24 months due to wartime commitments, contingency deployments, etc., special provisions are provided in SFAR 100-1 to Title 14, CFR Parts 61, 63 and 65.
 - Extension may be granted up to 6 calendar months after returning to the United States.
 - http://www.airweb.faa.gov/Regulatory_and_Guidance_Library/rgFAR.nsf/0/7516D458CE4655A886257030006C5560?OpenDocument&Highlight=sfar%20100

What if I fail any of the exams?

- If you fail any of the exams (computer-based knowledge or oral and practical), you may retest after 30 days from the date of the exam; or you may retest before the 30 days if you present a signed statement from a certificated mechanic, certifying that you have been given additional instruction in each of the subjects failed and consider you ready for retesting.

After I pass all the exams, when do I get my certificate?

- Upon successful completion of the oral and practical exams, the DME will issue you a temporary certificate. The FAA Airman Certification Branch in Oklahoma City, OK will issue a permanent certificate within 120 days.

What are the benefits of the AF A&P Certification Program?

- CCAF awards 30 semester hours of collegiate credit toward the Aviation Maintenance Technology degree. Also, some civilian colleges award collegiate credit.
- Develops a more professional, well-rounded and diverse aircraft maintenance technician.
- FAA certification provides employment opportunities during your transition from the Air Force.

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For further information or questions concerning the Air Force A&P Certification Program, contact CCAF/DFAL at DSN 493-5938 or E-mail at ccaf.faa@maxwell.af.mil

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What is the purpose of the Air Force A&P Certification Program?

Provide aircraft maintenance technicians the opportunity and resources to obtain professional certification through an FAA-approved program that leads to FAA eligibility and certification. It also assists career enhancement and professional development, resulting in a more well-rounded and diverse aircraft maintenance technician benefiting the individual and the Air Force.

Who is eligible to participate in the program?

Active duty, guard and reserve technicians in the following aircraft maintenance AFSCs:

- 2A0X1, 2A090, 2A3X1, 2A3X2, 2A3X3, 2A390, 2A300, 2A5X1, 2A5X2, 2A5X3, 2A590, 2A6X1, 2A6X3, 2A6X4, 2A6X5, 2A6X6, 2A690, 2A691, 2A600 (except AGE and Survival Equipment), 2A7X1, 2A7X2, 2A7X3, and 2A790 (except Survival Equipment).
- Must possess a 5-skill level to enroll in the program.

What if I cross-trained into another AFSC?

Technicians who have cross-trained out of an aircraft maintenance AFSC are eligible to enroll provided:

- They were awarded the 7-skill level in the aircraft maintenance AFSC prior to cross-training.
- They have not been out of the aircraft maintenance AFSC for more than 2 years.

What does the AFA&P Certification Program consist of?

- On-The-Job Training.
- 3 Specialized Courses (General, Airframe, and Powerplant) similar to Career Development Courses
- 7 Computer-Based Training (CBI) modules

How do I enroll in the program?

- Technicians enroll in the program through CCAF at <https://ccaf.maxwell.af.mil/faq/index.asp>.
- You must be from a .mil domain to access the enrollment page.

- If you were previously authorized to test by the FAA you do not need to enroll in this program.

Once I apply for enrollment, what does CCAF do?

- Evaluate your academic record for completed Air Force formal training and civilian courses completed at a FAA-approved institution.
- Build your Qualification Training Package (QTP) and credit applicable program requirements based on CCAF's evaluation.
- E-mail you the QTP and program instructions to begin training.

How do I complete the CBT modules?

- Download the 7 CBT modules by accessing the JSAMTCC website at <http://www.maxwell.af.mil/au/ccaf/jsamtcc/index.htm>.
- Upon completion of each CBT module, a certificate is printed.

How do I complete the 3 Specialized Courses?

- Enroll in the Specialized Courses through your base education services office, beginning with the General course. The courses (General: 02AF1; Airframe: 02AF2; and Powerplant: 02AF3) are administered separately by AFIADL.

What is the Certificate of Eligibility issued by CCAF?

- Serves the same qualification function as a Certificate of Completion or Graduation from a Part 147 Aviation Maintenance Technician School.
- Signifies you successfully completed the FAA-approved Air Force A&P Certification Program and meet FAA eligibility requirements.
- Replaces the need to provide the FAA with documentary evidence of 30 months practical aircraft maintenance experience in airframe and powerplant systems (CFETP, letter from supervisor/commander, DD Form 214, training certificates, transcripts, etc.).

What is required for me to be issued the Certificate of Eligibility from CCAF?

- Complete all program and experience requirements identified in the QTP (OJT, 3 Specialized Courses and 7 CBT modules).
- 7-skill level in aircraft maintenance AFSC
- 6-years Time-In-Service.
- 30 months practical aircraft maintenance experience.

What is the next step after I receive my Certificate of Eligibility from CCAF?

- Contact your local FAA Flight Standards District Office (FSDO) to schedule an appointment with an Airworthiness Safety Inspector (ASI).
- Present your *Certificate of Eligibility*, completed CG-G-EAE-2 Form, military ID and FAA Form 8610-2 to the ASI. The ASI will review the documents and sign the FAA Form 8610-2, authorizing you to take the FAA exams.

When and where do I take the FAA computer-based exams?

- Contact your base education services office to determine if they are an authorized FAA Testing Provider. If it is, you may schedule testing.
 - The 3 computer-based knowledge exams are administered - No cost to you.
 - The exams are administered separately.
 - After passing the first exam (General), and ready to take another exam (Airframe or Powerplant), contact your base education services office to schedule testing.
 - A score of 70% is needed to pass each FAA exam.
- If your base education services office is not an authorized FAA Testing Provider, locate the nearest FAA testing center. You are responsible for the exam fees at these locations.
 - Airmen Knowledge Testing Center List: http://www.faa.gov/education_research/testing/airmen/media/test_centers.pdf